

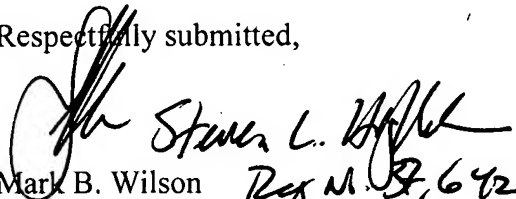
REMARKS

The specification has been amended to correct the heading in Table 1. No new matter is added by entry of this preliminary amendment.

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Stabilization test results

TABLE 1

Stabilization Tests by Additives					
AFTER pressing procedure	Additives % (w/w)	Remarks	Values after 1 week		Interpretation
Ascorbic acid E300	0.01% to 2.5%		+++	-	Shows good stabilization
Lemon pressed juice	0.01% to 10%	Brightens	++/+++	-	Shows good stabilization
Black currant juice	0.05% to 10%	Self-coloration	+		Stabilization potential present
Elderflower extract	0.05% to 10%		+	-	Stabilization potential present
Sallow thorn juice	0.05% to 10%	Flocculation self-coloration	+	-	Stabilization potential present
Octyl gallate E311	0.01% to 2.5%		-	-	Slight stabilization potential
Pressed juice green pepper	0.05% to 10%	Self-coloration	-	-	Tests with red pepper
Pressed juice from broccoli	0.05% to 10%	Self-coloration	-	-	Was not further pursued
Pressed juice from cabbage	0.05% to 10%	Self-coloration	-	-	Was not further pursued
DURING pressing	Additives % (w/w)				
Whole lemon (COF, untreated)	5% to 10%	Brightens	+++	-	Shows excellent stabilization potential; optimization with regard to minimum concentration used
Elderflower extract	5% to 10%		+++	-	Shows excellent stabilization potential; optimization with regard to minimum concentration used
Black currant juice	5% to 10%	Self-coloration	++/+++	-	Shows good stabilization potential; "native" raw material; self-coloration to be considered
Sallow thorn juice	5% to 10%	Strong flocculation, self-coloration	++/+++	-	Shows good stabilization potential; slight self-coloration and strong flocculation to be considered
Whole red pepper	5% to 10%	Self-coloration	++/+++	-	Shows good stabilization potential; slight self-coloration to be considered; nitrate drag-in ?
Potato juice Reference samples "stored"	-		--	-	Strong discoloration within extremely short time - already during pressing
Potato juice Reference samples "farm-fresh"	-		+/-	-	Pressed juice from farm-fresh potatoes shows relatively good stability under cooling and exclusion of air.